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REDUCTION OF THE DISTORTION OF OPTICAL  
IMPULSES THROUGH POLARISATION MODE  
DISPERSION IN OPTICAL TRANSMISSION  
SYSTEMS

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